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Ans Dec 20

Bureau of Topographical Engrs
Washington Dec. 10th 1858

Sir,

The box containing the botanical collection made by the party under Capt. Simpson, has been received. The collection was this day forwarded to you by express, charges paid.

Respectfully Sir
Your Obt Servt
J. J. Abert
Col Corps T.E.

Doct. Geo. Engelmann
St. Louis, Mo.

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Bureau of Topographical Engrs
Washington D.C. 28th 1858

Sir,

Your letter of 20th inst. acknowledging the receipt of the box of botanical specimens collected by the party under Capt. Simpson, has been received.

Your desire to be furnished with such public documents emanating from this Office as have a bearing on scientific matters will be attended to, but at present we have very few; and not a spare Copy of Lt. Bryan's report. It will be forwarded as soon as it can be procured.

Respectfully Sir
Your Obt Servt
J. J. Abert
Col Corps Engrs

Doctr Geo. Engelmann
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